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The Honorable Alexander M. Haig, Jr.
Secretary of State
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear General Haig:

I would like to take this opportunity, on behalf of the Laotian (Hmong) refugees, to express our sincere thanks to you for your deliberation in condemning Soviet Russia for their using chemical warfare against our innocent people in Laos and Cambodia during your trip to West Berlin, Germany, last October.

General Haig, we are a little and powerless people. It seems that it does not matter what happens to us and how many people must die. Nobody really cares to find out, or talk about it. The human rights issue in that part of the world has been seriously violated, yet, no one country really wants to stand up and defend it. Our people have been struggling, fighting, escaping those tragic and horrible holocausts for the past five years and have been crying, appealing, for help. They got very little support.

When you delivered your major address, in West Berlin, in condemning the Soviet Union for their barbarian actions in Laos, Cambodia and Afghanistan, you have brought the human rights issue back into focus.

We ask for your continued support in pressing the communists to stop those atrocities which are being perpetrated upon our people by the communist regimes in Vientiane and Hanoi. Until now the communists still have not stopped the acts of man's inhumanity against man in Southeast Asia, especially in the high country of the Hmong in Laos.

Again, thank you for your efforts in making the communists' barbarian and horrible acts known to the world.

Sincerely,

General Vang Pao (Prayanorapamok)
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